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Docket No.: 826.1593

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Ryuichi Sunayama

Serial No. 09/528,714

Group Art Unit: 2183

Confirmation No. 5805

Filed: March 20, 2000

Examiner: Aimee J. Li

For: INSTRUCTION PROCESSING DEVICE AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING BRANCH
INSTRUCTION ACCOMPANIED BY MODE CHANGE

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AMENDMENT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 18, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on February 18, 2003. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, with the requisite fee, is submitted herewith, making the period for response end on March 18, 2003.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 11, with the following paragraph:

According to the conventional instruction processing device, since an address mode indicating the bit size of an address space is determined by software, the address mode is sometimes changed while an instruction is executed. However, when the branch prediction of a branch instruction accompanied by an address mode change is made, only the instruction address of a branch destination can be predicted since a mechanism for predicting the address mode of a branch destination is not provided. Therefore, the pre-fetch of a branch destination instruction string cannot be performed based on the changed address mode, and thereby a correct instruction process cannot be executed.

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FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 01/01/03)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	17	- 20 =	0	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	10	- 9 =	1	X \$ 84.00 =	84.00
Since an Official Action set an original due date of February 18, 2003, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$410); 3 months (\$930); 4 months (\$1,450); 5 months (\$1,970));					\$110.00
If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$320)					
If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110)					
Total of above Calculations =					\$ 194.00
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- (2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20".
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- (5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3".

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REQUESTING APPROVAL OF CHANGES TO THE DRAWINGS
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Sir:

Kindly approve the changes to Fig. 1 of the drawings as noted in red on the attached copy, and in accordance with the Amendment filed concurrently.

Respectfully submitted,

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